

# Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/620,248

Examiner

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## -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to ex. interview on 1/15/04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-10 and 28-37.
3. ☐ The drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.
5. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application) since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.
  - (a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
6. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121 since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. **THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.**

7. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
8. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
    - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed \_\_\_\_\_, which has been approved by the Examiner.
  - (c) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the margin according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

9. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

## Attachment(s)

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                                                 | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)                    |
| 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)                                        | 6 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No. <u>1/15/04</u> . |
| 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No. <u>10/20/03</u> | 7 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment                            |
| 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material                     | 8 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance           |
|                                                                                                                            | 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                                              |

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***Election/Restrictions***

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-10, 28-37, drawn to reflector for a reflector having a mounting pin extending from another portion of said edge of said reflector for adhesion within a hole in said precision optical device, classified in class 359, subclass 871.
- II. Claims 11-27, drawn to a precision optical device, classified in class 359, subclass 856.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions II and I are related as combination and subcombination. Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in other combinations (MPEP § 806.05(c)). In the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed because the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed such as a mounting pin extending from another portion of said edge of said reflector for adhesion within a hole in said precision optical device. The subcombination has separate utility such as a reflector having a mounting

pin extending from another portion of said edge of said reflector for  
adhesion within a hole in said precision optical device.

Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the  
search required for Group I is not required for Group II, restriction for examination  
purposes as indicated is proper.

During a telephone conversation with Mr. Michael Gilman on 1/15/04 a  
provisional election was made without traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I,  
claims 1-10, 28-37. Affirmation of this election must be made by applicant in replying to  
this Office action. Claims 11-27 are withdrawn from further consideration by the  
examiner, 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

**Claims 1-10, 28-37 are allowed.**

***EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT***

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes  
and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided  
by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be  
submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Michael Gilman on 1/15/04.

The application has been amended as follows:

a) cancel claims 11-27.

### ***REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE***

The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

The claims are allowable over the prior art for at least the reason that the prior art fails to reasonably teach or suggest a mounting pin extending from another portion of said edge of said reflector for adhesion within a hole in said precision optical device as set forth in the claimed combination.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably **accompany** the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

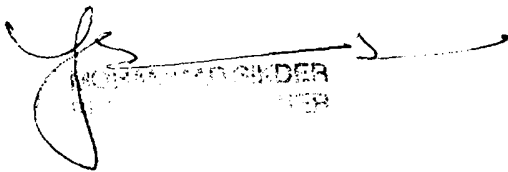
### ***CONTACT INFORMATION***

Papers related to this application may be submitted to Group 2870 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to Group 2870 via the PTO Fax center located in the Crystal Plaza 4. Faxing of such papers must conform with the notice published in

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the official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). The CP-4 Fax Center number is (703) 308-7722.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to M. Sikder whose telephone number is (703) 305-5471.



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